CALTRANS COMMUTER ALERT



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REVISION

START DATE CHANGED FOR PAVING PROJECT ON SR-18 IN BIG BEAR

Big Bear – Caltrans has changed the limits and the start date for an asphalt-paving project on State Route 18 in Big Bear. The new limits of the project are from Green Way Drive to two miles west of Boulder Bay. Construction signs will be placed on Monday July 11, 2005 and work will begin on Monday July 18, 2005. The hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will require lane closures up to two miles in length. Within those limits, one lane will be closed and one lane open. Flagging and pilot cars will be used to pass traffic through the closure with a minimum delay of 15 minutes or less. Shorter closure segments will be used within city limits and no night or weekend work is scheduled.

The project will begin at Green Way Drive on the east-end of Big Bear Lake and move west through Big Bear City toward Big Bear Dam. The type of asphalt being used is a quick-dry product, which dries in 15-30 minutes. Traffic can travel on the new pavement sooner. This material has an extended pavement life up to twelve years as opposed to five. The project is expected to be complete by mid-September 2005.

Motorists are advised that the speed limit will be reduced in the construction zone and traffic fines will be doubled. Consideration will be given to school buses. Watch for lane shifts and wait for pilot car and flaggers to give directions. Your patience is always appreciated and remember to - **SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE**.

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